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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with Senator John W. Warner, 14 July 1983, re McLean Citizens' Concerns Regarding the New Building Construction

- 1. On 14 July, I received a call from Senator John Warner regarding a visit to his office by Gloria Adams, a member of "the Ad Hoc Committee on Off-Site Road Improvements." Mrs. Adams had asked Senator Warner to persuade me to permit a member of the committee to participate as a member of the Highways Advisory Group.
- 2. Senator Warner said that he believed that due to the McLean citizens' concerns, he had to become involved in helping solve the problems that they had raised. He reassured me that he was on our side and was definitely for the building but he did have to weigh in on helping solve the traffic problems.
- 3. I informed Senator Warner that we, in accordance with the agreement made in the auditorium on the evening of 28 June, were working through Mr. Theodore L. Gray, President of the McLean Citizens Association, and that we had written to Mr. Gray asking that he name a representative from his Association. I noted that we had also asked for members from the National Park Service, the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation (VDH&T), and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC). I said that this appeared to be enough people on the Advisory Group and that we were concerned that if there were too many people on the Group, little would be accomplished. I noted that we intended to address the problems that the citizens perceived to exist and we definitely planned to let the citizens express their concerns to the VDH&T's consultants before any design proposal had been prepared. He again asked if I would reconsider the possibility of having two members. I told him that I would think about it and would be back in touch with him to let him know my decision. He asked that I keep him informed on how we were doing toward resolving the problems and in case he was not available, I should talk to Mr. Lee Califf of his office.
- 4. On 18 July, I called Senator Warner to give him my response to his request. Since he was not available, I passed along to Mr. Lee Califf that in agreement with Congressman Wolf, we had decided it was not practical to have more than one representative from the Citizens Association. We felt there should be one spokesman and that if there were any more than one, we would find ourselves in a position of negotiating between the citizens representatives. I also noted that I thought there was no consensus among the citizens as to what the problems are or how they should

be addressed. I opined that it was better that they sort this out at Association meetings rather than in the Advisory Group. Mr. Califf said that he agreed with me but that he was not sure how Senator Warner would feel about the problem; he would pass along my message.

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